

HOUSE RESOLUTION 7026
By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Thomas O. "T. O."
Jamerson of Fayette County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Thomas O. "T. O." Jamerson; and

WHEREAS, T. O. Jamerson was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, he was born on January 17, 1911, and educated in McNairy County; Mr. Jamerson was a longtime resident of Memphis, and later of Somerville, and was a highly respected member of both communities; and

WHEREAS, T. O. Jamerson served with acumen and alacrity as a valued employee of Exxon Corporation in Memphis, where he formed friendships with many service station operators while delivering fuel and Exxon products to dealers in West Tennessee; after thirty years with Exxon he retired from his position, having earned the respect of his superiors, colleagues, and customers alike for the exceptional quality of his service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jamerson was a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and a valuable asset to his community; during his tenure with Exxon, he served as president of the local union of Exxon employees in the Southwest District; he enjoyed helping people, and following his retirement, delivered meals-on-wheels for the MIFA organization in Memphis; and

WHEREAS, throughout his life, T. O. Jamerson was fortunate to be blessed with good health, and remained physically and mentally alert until his recent brief illness; he was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed traveling, fishing, hunting, gardening, and special times with those who were dear to him; and

WHEREAS, he loved people of all ages and will be long remembered for his ever-present smile, his enjoyment of humor, and his devotion to his beloved family and many friends; and

WHEREAS, from a young age he was an active and devout member of the Church of Christ; when he moved to Fayette County six years ago, Mr. Jamerson transferred his membership to Somerville from the Coleman Avenue Church of Christ in Memphis, where had served faithfully for many years as a deacon; and

WHEREAS, he enjoyed fifty-six years of loving companionship with his beloved wife, the former Erah Eason of McNairy County, who preceded him in death; and

WHEREAS, T. O. Jamerson was deeply devoted to his family, and always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; by his passing, he has been reunited with his parents, James Elmer Jamerson and Cassie Moore Jamerson; loving wife, Erah Eason; daughter, Patricia Ann Jamerson; and granddaughter, Tommie Lynn Wilburn; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jamerson is survived by his daughters, Louise Jones and her husband Robert, and Martha Sanders and her husband, Tommy; son, Thomas E. Jamerson and his wife, Connie; five sisters, including twins, Pauline Hair and Mauline Singleton and Mandy Amerson, Nell Nowlin, and Jean Cox; brother, J.R. Jamerson; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, T. O. Jamerson leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Thomas O. "T. O." Jamerson, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family and many friends of Thomas O. "T. O." Jamerson.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.